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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a delegation has sought the Ministry Rs.10,000 crore for introduction of high yielding seeds and a subsidy on organic fertilizers produced by converting urban organic waste; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b):The Government has not received any proposal from a delegation seeking Rs.10,000 crores for introduction of high yielding seeds and subsidy on organic fertilizers produced by converting urban organic waste.

However, under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on the Balanced and Integrated use of Fertilizers, subsidy is being provided for establishment of urban city waste compost units of minimum of 100 tonnes per day capacity, @ one-third of the estimated cost subject to a maximum of Rs.50 lakhs (for machinery and building only). Also under, National Project on Organic Farming, 25% back ended subsidy limited to Rs. 40 lakhs is being provided for setting up of fruits and vegetables market waste compost units.